

HIGH SPEED RAIL BONDS. LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE AMENDMENT.

OFFICIAL TITLE AND SUMMARY

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- Provides \$9 billion for building a new high-speed railroad between San Francisco and Los Angeles.
- Funds rail expansion to other locations if money becomes available.
- Provides \$950 million for connections to the high-speed railroad and for repairing, modernizing and improving passenger rail service, including tracks, signals, structures, facilities and rolling stock.
- Total funding provided is \$9.95 billion from general obligation bonds.

Summary of Legislative Analyst's Estimate of Net State and Local Government Fiscal Impact:

- State costs of about \$19.4 billion over 30 years to pay off both principal (\$9.95 billion) and interest (\$9.5 billion) costs of the bonds. Payments of about \$647 million per year.
- Additional unknown costs, probably in excess of \$1 billion a year, to operate and maintain a high-speed rail system. The costs would be at least partially offset by passenger fare revenues, depending on ridership.

FINAL VOTES CAST BY THE LEGISLATURE ON SB 1856 (PROPOSITION 1)

Senate:	Ayes 27	Noes 6
Assembly:	Ayes 59	Noes 16